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## Barbados

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required as long as you do not stay in the country more than 6 months.

### US Embassy/ Consulate

[1] (246) 227-4000; US Embassy in Bridgetown, Wildey Business Park, St. Michael BB 14006, Barbados, WI

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Tropical; rainy season (June to October)

### Currency (Code)

Barbadian dollars (BBD)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

115 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): A, B (2 flat blades)



### Major Languages

English, Bajan Creole

### Religions

Protestant 66.4%, Roman Catholic 3.8%, other Christians 5.4%, Rastafarian 1%, other 1.5%, none 20.6%, unspecified 1.2%

### Time Difference

UTC-4 (1 hour ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Yes

### International Driving Permit

Suggested; additionally, traveler will need to present their US driver's license & IDP to local police to pay a special registration fee

### Road Driving Side

Left

### Cultural Practices

Wearing military style clothing is considered rude or strange.

### Tipping Guidelines

A service charge of 10-15% is typically added to your bill at hotels and restaurants.

Additional tipping is at your discretion and should reflect the quality of service you received. The standard tipping is approximately 10%. Always agree on the fare with the taxi driver before starting the trip. Tip bellhops \$1 (USD) per bag and housekeeping \$2 (USD) per room per day.

**Telephone Code**

246

**Local Emergency  
Phone**

Ambulance: 115, 119; Fire: 113, 119; Police: 112, 119

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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